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In re Application of  
Joseph Urbano, et. al.  
Application No. 09/396,486  
Filed: September 14, 1999  
Attorney Docket No. 9994-8US

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 10, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.


The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the Final Office Action of August 8, 2007. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2)), an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and submission (37 CFR 1.114), or the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(2). No extensions of time pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is November 9, 2007.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a terminal disclaimer and the required fee; (2) the petition fee of \$1620; and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Denise Williams at (571) 272-8930.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 3737 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the reply received.

  
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